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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicants through counsel herewith:

Submit a copy of the patent as set forth in the attached form PTO-1449 as follows:

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Copies of the listed documents are enclosed herewith.

REMARKS

The enclosed references were first cited in the search report issued by the Great Britain Patent Office (copies enclosed). Applicants hereby certify that the above items of information were cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three (3) months prior to the filing of this Statement.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069.

It is respectfully requested that the above-listed documents be made of record in the present application.

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